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House Resolution 874

By: Representative Drenner of the 86th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending Audrey D. Collier; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Mrs. Audrey D. Collier has served as the executive director of Scottdale Child
- 3 Development and Family Resource Center, Inc., of Central DeKalb for 24 years and has been
- 4 ardent advocate for early care and education services since joining the field of social work
- 5 in 1978; and
- 6 WHEREAS, under her skillful guidance, the center has set an outstanding example,
- 7 achieving and maintaining accreditation from the National Academy of Early Childhood
- 8 Programs as well as being recognized as a Bright from the Start: Georgia Department of
- 9 Early Care and Learning Center of Distinction and being selected by the W.K. Kellogg
- 10 Foundation and Smart Start Georgia as a partner and the Central DeKalb hub for the
- 11 S.P.A.R.K. (Supporting Partnerships to Assure Ready Kids) Initiative; and
- 12 WHEREAS, the Scottdale center brought honor and distinction to its community and the
- 13 State of Georgia when it was featured on PBS's *The Merrow Report* as an example of a high
- 14 quality program in *The Promise of Preschool*, a television documentary, and received local
- attention in the 27th Edition of *Inside DeKalb* on the county's DCTV; and
- 16 WHEREAS, completing a successful campaign in 1996 to raise \$1.3 million to build the
- 17 center's current facility and more recently earning the National Administrator Credential,
- 18 Mrs. Collier has demonstrated her continued dedication to improving the quality of service
- 19 delivered by the Scottdale center; and
- 20 WHEREAS, Mrs. Collier is married to Mr. Harvey J. Collier, and they are the proud parents
- 21 of two outstanding children, Jamison Ahmad, a rising senior at Morehouse, and Whitley
- 22 Elaine, a rising junior and high school cheerleader.

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1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that

- 2 the members of this body join in commending Audrey D. Collier for her outstanding public
- 3 service and extend their sincere best wishes and encouragement for her future endeavors.
- 4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 5 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Audrey D. Collier.